

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Investigative Report

2022-2085

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 2347 East Waterloo Road, Akron, Ohio 44312, Summit County



Investigative Activity: Cell Phone Video Review

Activity Date: October 5, 2022
Activity Location: BCI Richfield

Authoring Agent: SA Matthew Armstrong #146

Narrative:

On Wednesday, October 5, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Matthew Armstrong (Armstrong) conducted an interview with Michael Holmes (Michael) and recovered videos that Michael recorded during the October 5, 2022, officer-involved shooting in Springfield Township.

Michael recorded a total of four videos using the standard camera application on his Motorola Stylus 5G cellular phone. Michael explained one video was recorded during the shooting and the others after the shooting.

The following four videos were recovered:



VID_20221005_11 3604708



VID_20221005_11 3718259



VID_20221005_11 3756903



VID_20221005_1 4408817

This report contains only the details believed to be most relevant to this incident. Not every detail observed in the footage was documented. The reader of this Investigative Report is encouraged to view each video in its entirety. There were no timestamps on the video footage.

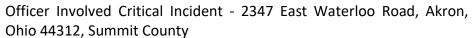
Below is an overhead map documenting Michael's approximate location when he recorded the video. The address of the incident scene, 2347 East Waterloo Road, was also included:



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SA Armstrong reviewed each of the videos and noted the following:

VID 20221005 113604708

The video was 55 seconds in length. It began depicting the yard on the south side of 1038 Mohawk Trail. A white police cruiser was parked on Margaret Street, facing east, and a red tow truck was backed into the backyard of 2347 E. Waterloo Road (Image 1). Five gunshots can be heard when the video began, and Michael is heard saying, "They're shooting."

At 0:03, when the gunfire stops, a male voice can be heard yelling, "Drop the Gun! Drop the gun! Drop the gun!"

At 0:07, an officer can be seen moving southeast, near the back of the camper.

At 0:09, a second officer can be seen moving southeast, near the back of the camper.

At 0:18, Township Trustee Kellie Chapman was captured running in the side yard of 1038 Mohawk Trail. She told Michael she was with the cops and he told her to hide.

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At 0:22, a male wearing a red shirt (likely the tow truck driver) was captured walking on the driver's side and in front of the tow truck.

No other relevant information was captured.



Image 1

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VID 20221005 113718259

The video was 15 seconds in length. It was recorded after the shooting occurred. Sirens can be heard in the background. Michael can be heard talking with Township Trustee Kellie Chapman. Nothing relevant was noted.

VID 20221005 113756903

The video was three minutes in length. It was recorded after the shooting occurred. When it began, Kellie Chapman was walking toward the scene. Additional cruisers are captured arriving at the scene.

At 01:50, an ambulance arrived and parked on Margaret Street. Personnel from the fire department removed a medical cot from the ambulance.

VID 20221005 114408817

This video was one minute and seven seconds in length. It contained footage of fire department personnel wheeling McCracken to the ambulance on a medical cot and loading him into the ambulance. A police officer can be seen placing yellow police tape through the backyards on the south side of Margaret Street. No other information relevant to the shooting was observed.

Reference Items:

Item B – DVD containing videos recorded by Michael Holmes

Attachments:

Image 1

